

Cuyahoga Sustainability Network

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Contributions to Sustainable Decision Making:

***Fill Key Information Needs to Foster and Support Sustainable
Land Transformation Decision-Making***

- Landscape Influences on Environmental Services**
- Urban Hydrology and Sustainable Landscapes**
- Economic Demand for Environmentally Sustainable Design**
- Multiobjective Decision Making**

Stormwater Management

Hedonic Analysis

Pervious Concrete

Conservation Design

Infiltration Design

Riparian Setbacks

**Engineered
Systems**

**Natural
Systems**

**Social
Systems**

Spatial Optimization

Home Rule

BioReserve Design

Riparian Setback Zoning

Urban Forestry

Community Sense of Place

Surprising Results:

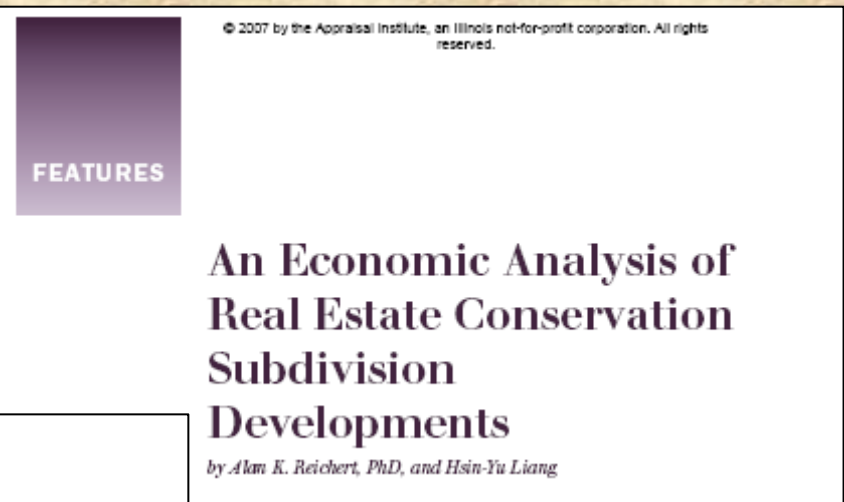
- Suburban History - Ghosts of Landuse Past**
- Pervious Runoff**
- Planning & Development in a Home Rule State**
- Hedonic Analysis – Price Signals for Environmental Design**
- Pervious Concrete – Cold Weather Performance & Design**
- Urban Forest Services**

Economic Sustainability: Hedonic Price Analysis

Conservation Design

Riparian Setback Zoning

New Urbanism



Riparian Setbacks; Technical Information for Decision Makers

www.crowp.org/pdf_files/riparian_setback_paper_jan_2006.pdf

- **Local Governments Commission**
- **Colorado League of Women Voters**
- **Chesapeake Bay Local Government Information Network**
- **Community Forest Resource Center**
- **Mass. Dept Fish and Game**
- **Arizona NEMO** (*Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officers*)
- **New Hampshire Fish and Game Department**
- **Maryland DNR**
- **Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetland Commissions Inc.**
- **Wisconsin DNR**
- **Maine DEP**
- **Montana Water Course**
- **Westchester County, NY Department of Planning.**
- **Association of State Wetland Managers**

Cleveland's Urban Forest

Annual Air Quality Benefits ~\$3 billion

- **Cuyahoga County Green Print**
- **Cleveland Metroparks**
- **City of Cleveland Street Trees**

“Train the Trainer”

**D. Nowak, R. Pouyat
U.S. Forest Service
Northern Research Station**

baltimoresun.com

On a mission to add to greenery

**Volunteers armed with computers collect data on
Baltimore's trees**

By Alia Malik Sun reporter July 28, 2007



Sun photo by Mauricio Rubio, July 18, 2007

Hydrologic Services:

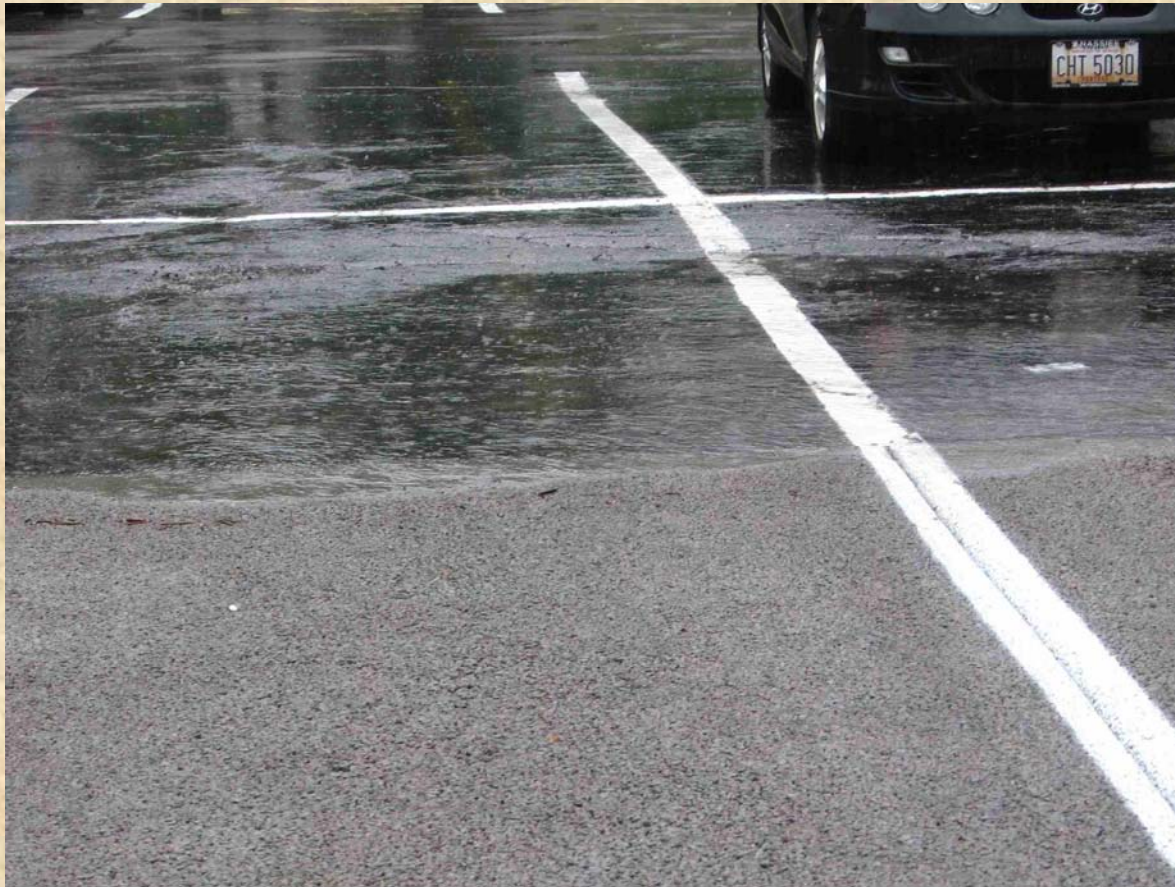
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Sustainable Landscapes & Pervious Concrete

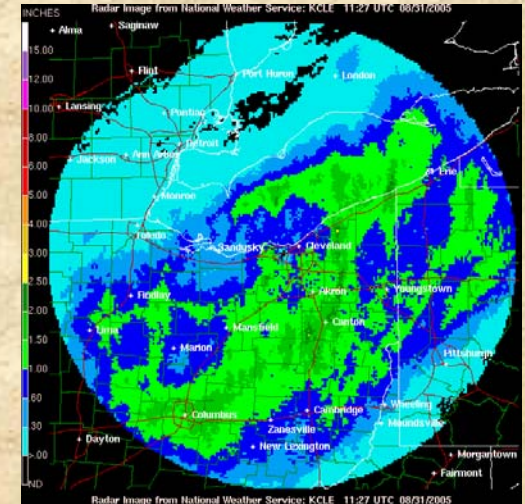


Cleveland State University & Ohio Ready Mix Concrete Association

Pervious Concrete Test Plot



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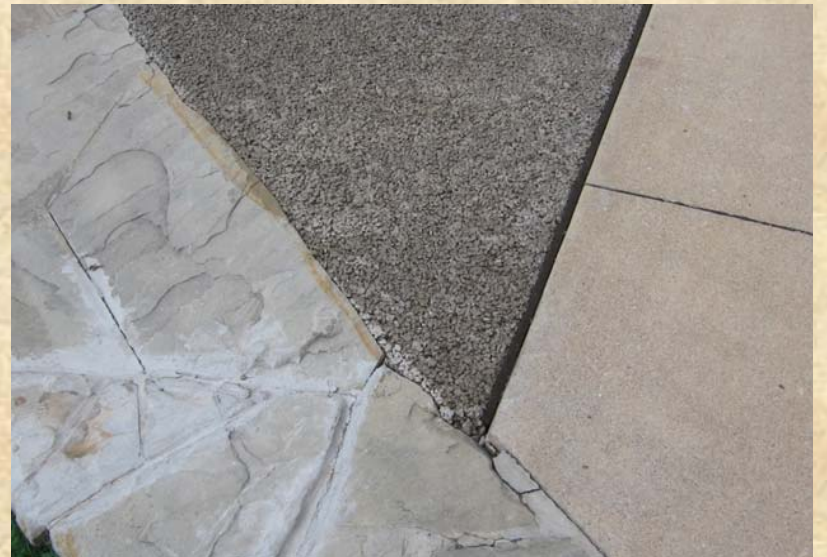
**Tropical Storm Katrina
Storm Totals:**

31Aug 2005 - 07:27 EDT

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Hydrologic Services: Quantifying Site Infiltration

IIHR Digital Infiltrometer Controller



CRWP

LID Performance Monitoring

EPA National Community
Decentralized Wastewater
Demonstration Project

-Matt Morrison – EPA NRML

-USGS Ohio District

- Rain garden: max water level
- Pervious pavement outflow
- Pervious pavement soil moisture (TDR nests)
- WQ: Temp & conductivity + TSS, TP, Cl, turbidity, total & dissolved metals
- Parking lot surface runoff: quantity and quality

IR: 24.0 – 0.74 cm/hr

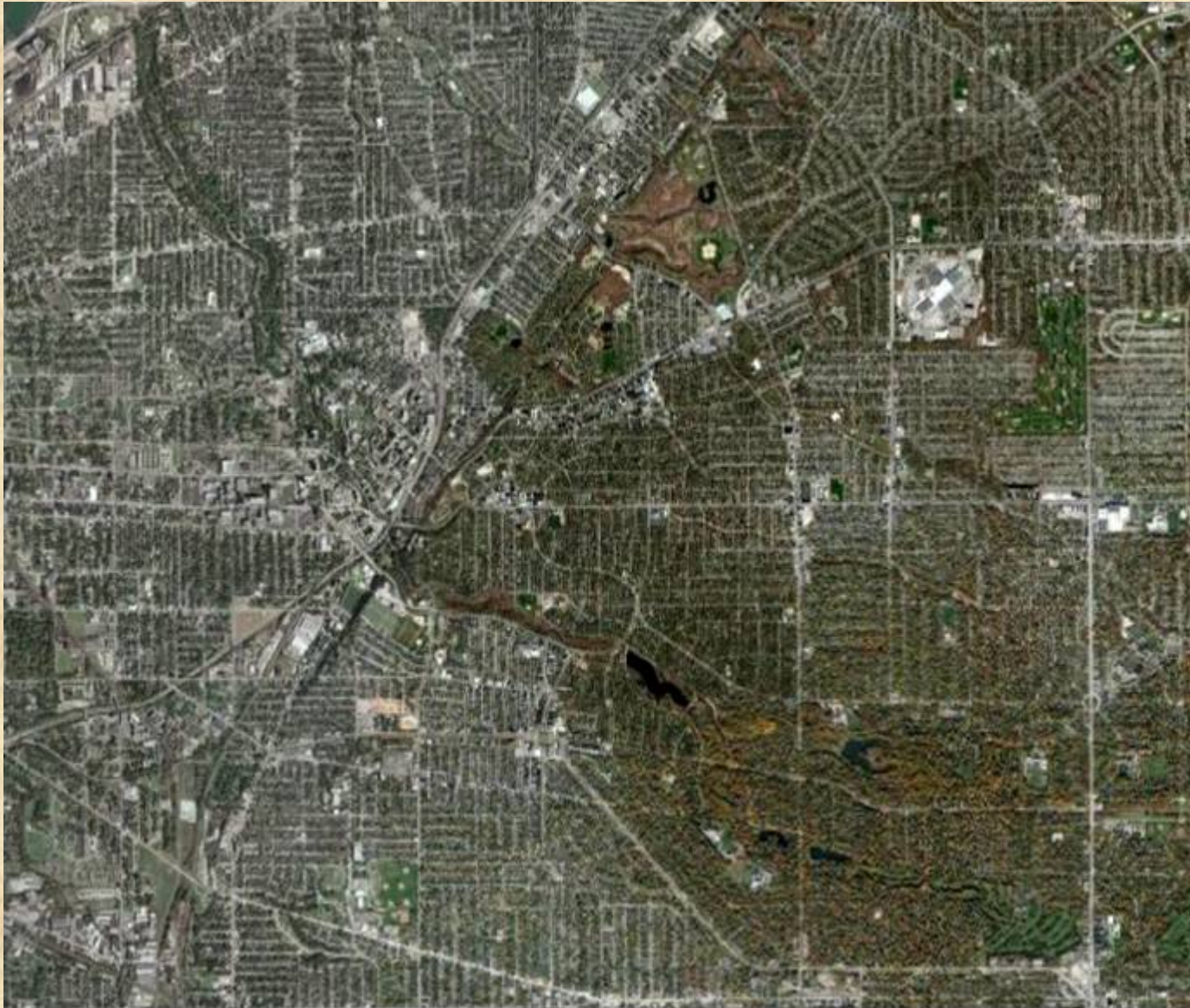


Cawrse & Associates — Chagrin River Watershed Partners

Suburbanization and Greenspace

Ghosts of Land Use Past

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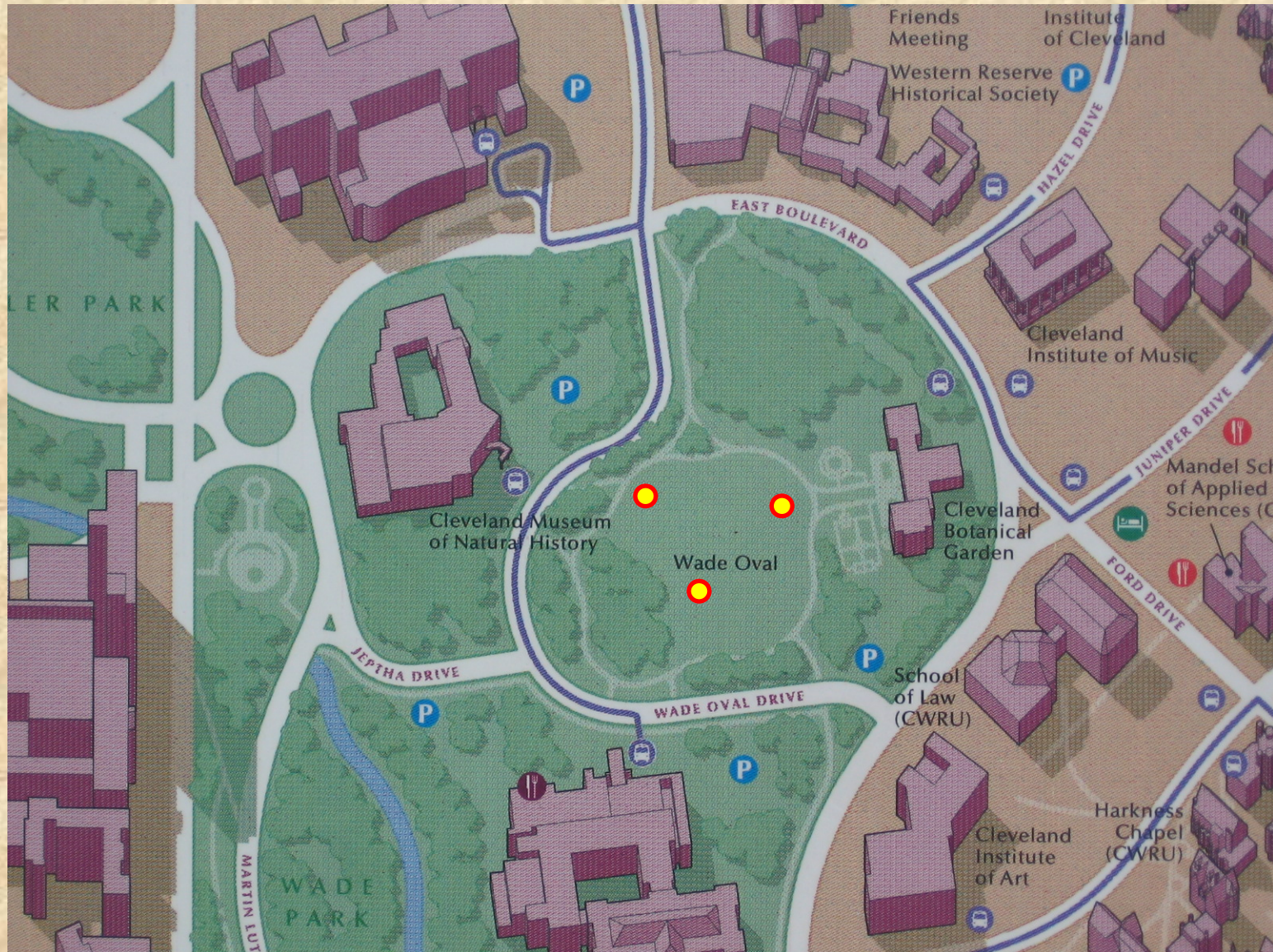




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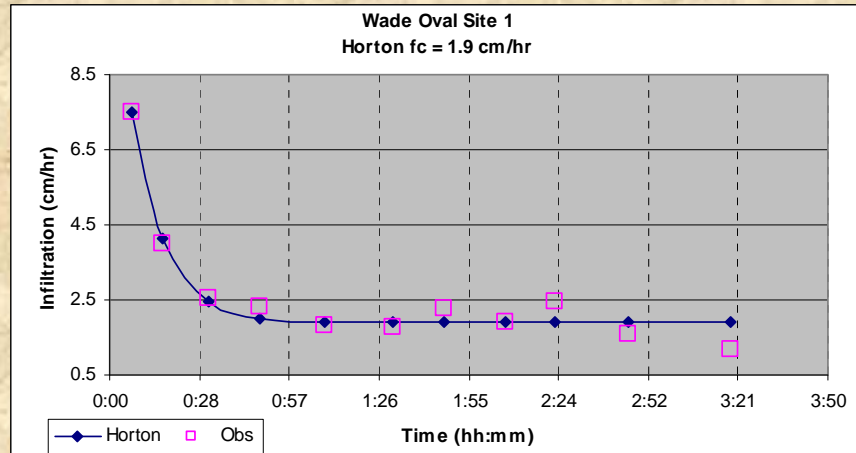


Wade Oval Infiltration

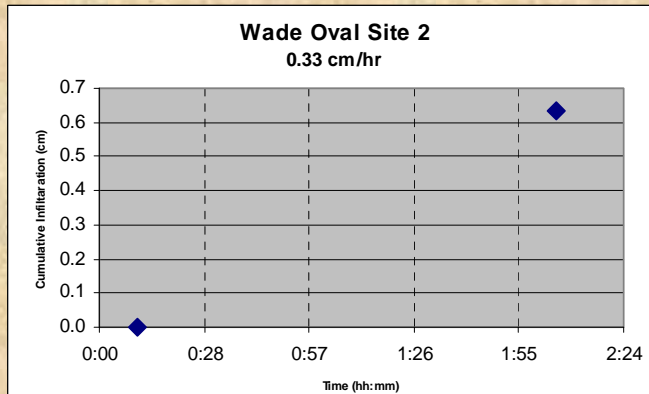


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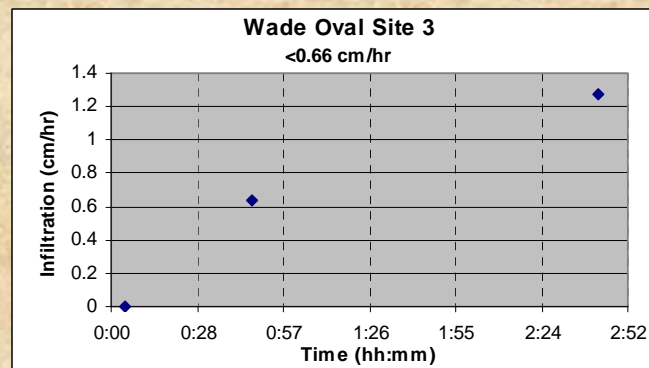
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cm/hr**



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cm/hr**



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cm/hr**

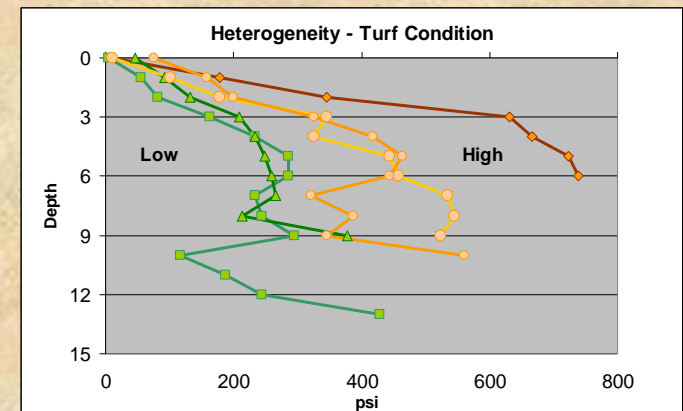
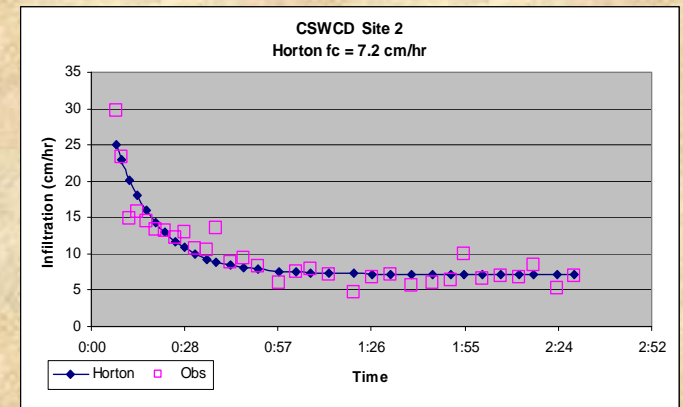
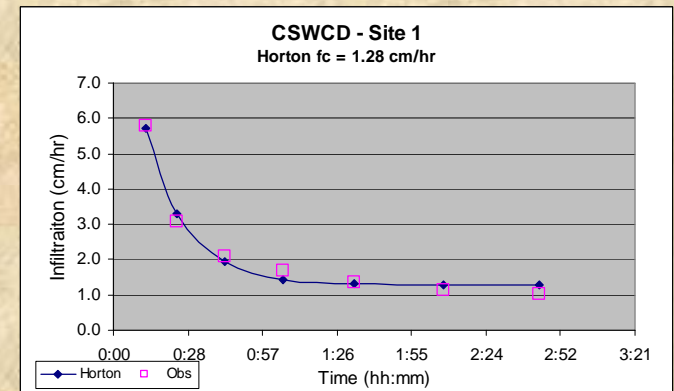


Beyond Impervious Area- Rain Gardens - etc?



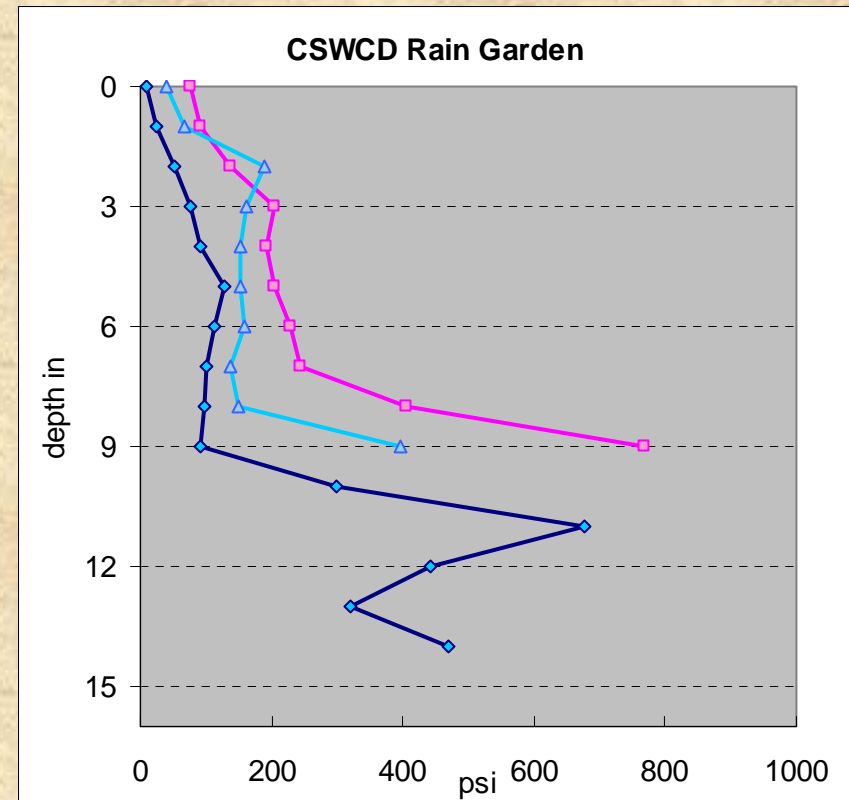
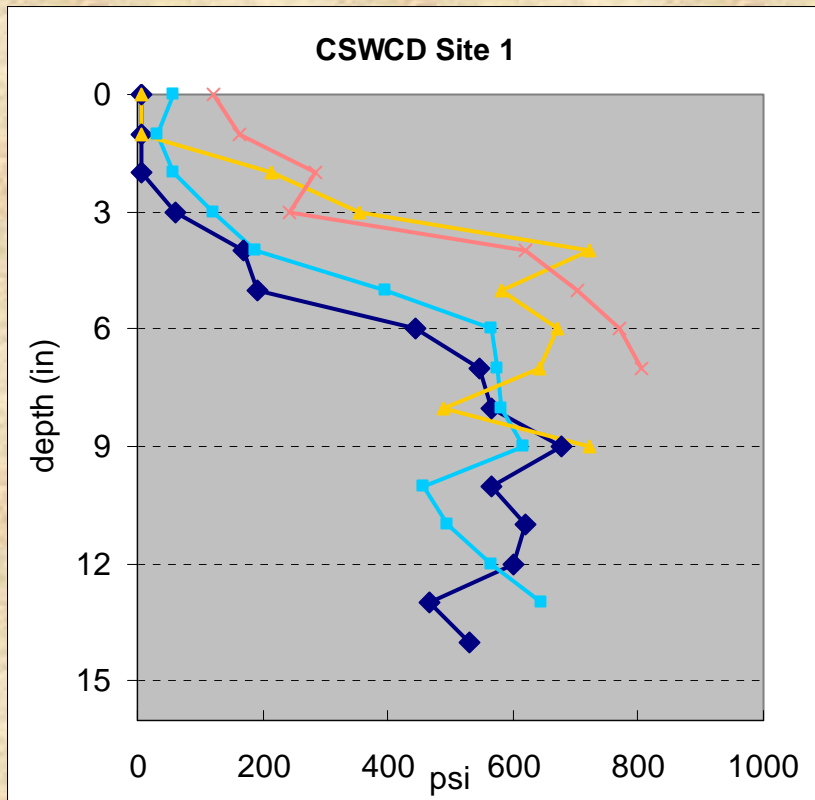
CSWCD Rain Garden

Infiltration and Soil Compaction



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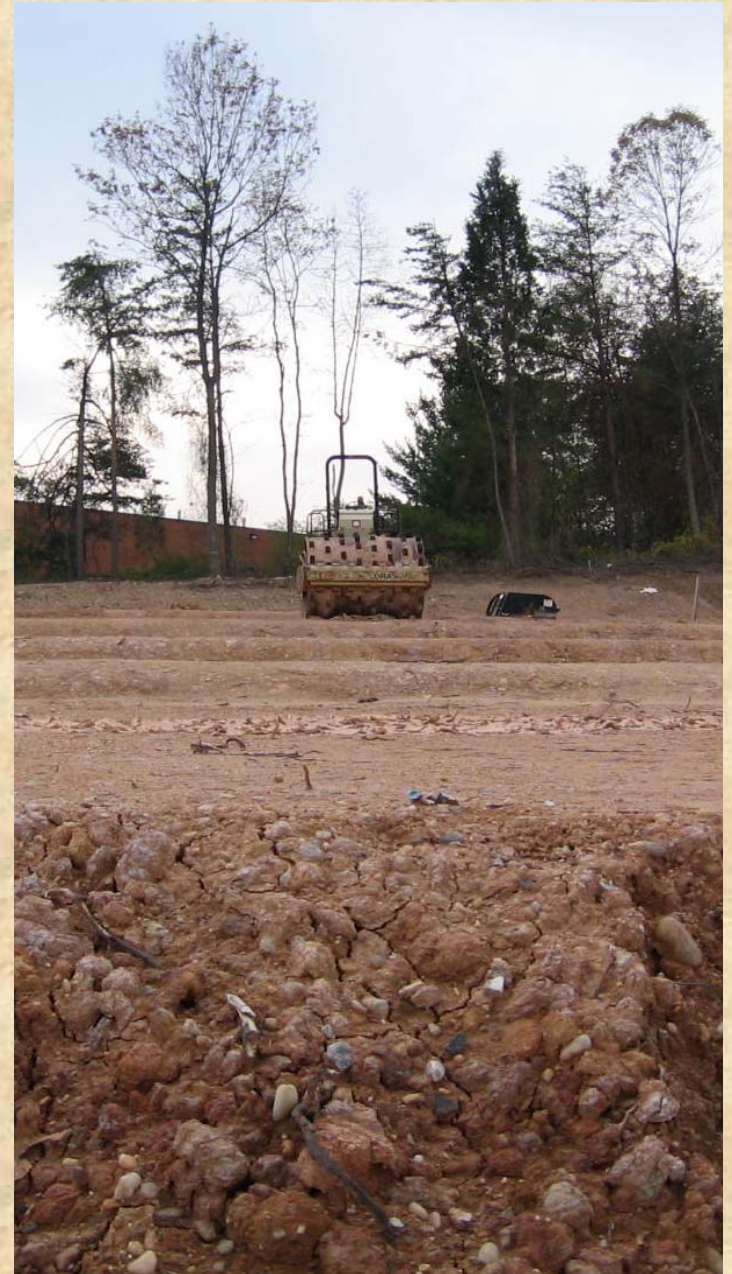






“Engineered Topography”

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No-Mow Lawns

Cleveland Botanical Garden

City of Cleveland

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No-Mow Lawns

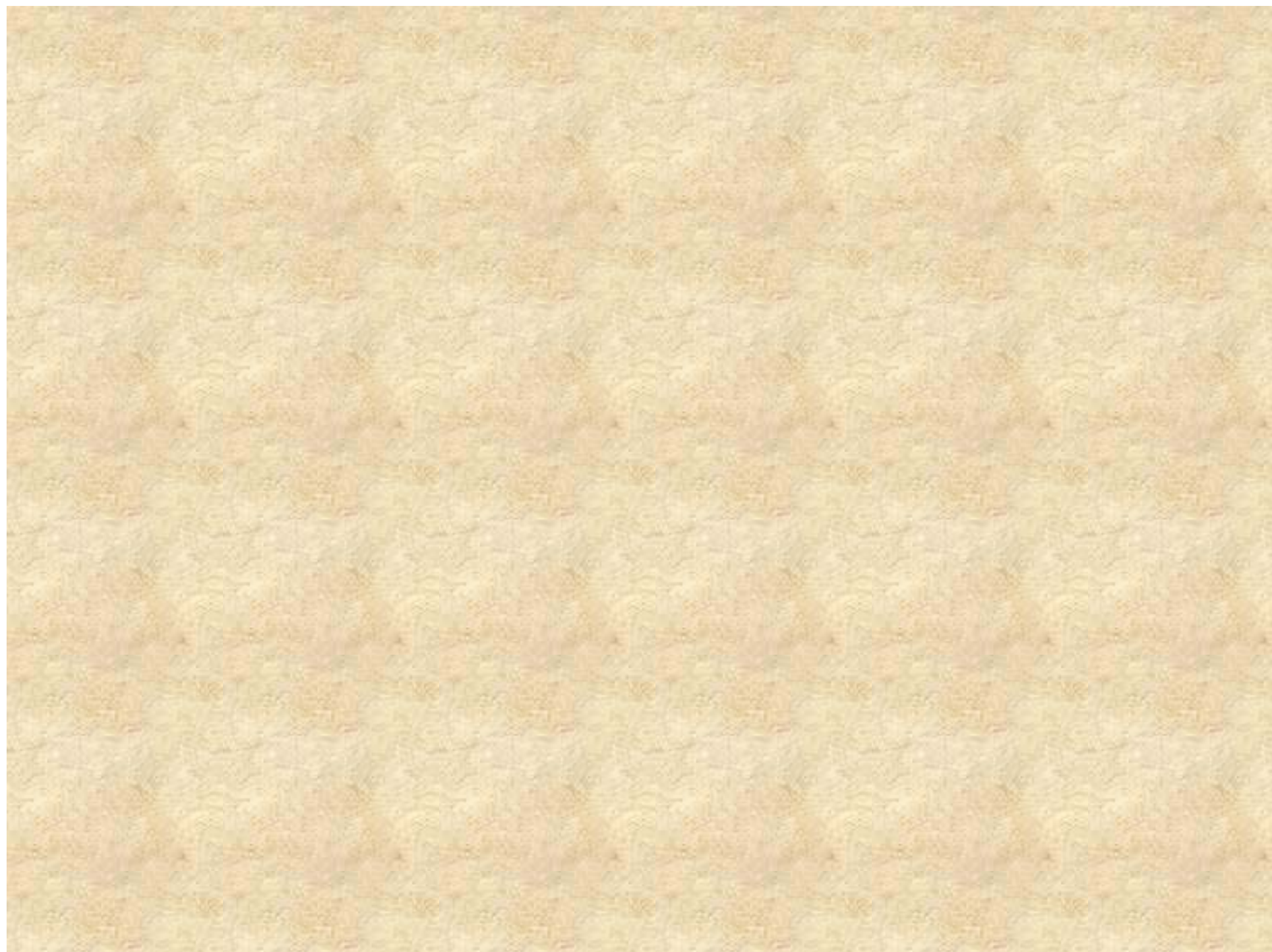


Results from CNS Funding

Enabled New Collaborations & Technology Transfer:

- U.S. Forest Service Northern Research Station
Urban Forestry & Sustainable Landscapes**
- Baltimore Ecosystem Study a NSF-LTER site
Urban Infiltration Studies –Cornell Infiltrimeters**
- Chesapeake Bay Trust – Pervious concrete Partnership
with CSU, MD-SHA, County Engineers, MDE,
MRMCA, MD-ASCE, MD-USGBC**





Collaborator Updates

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- **CSU – Parker Hannifin Building – pervious concrete**
- **Chagrin River Watershed Partners – Cawrse Associates**
- **University Circle Corporation**
- **Cleveland Botanical Gardens – low-mow lawns**
- **City of Cleveland – Urban Street Trees**
- **Cuyahoga County Planning Commission – Greenprint**
- **Cuyahoga SWCD – compaction and lawn tillage**



Future Work

- **Community Tree Survey in Cleveland**
- **Urban Forest Services:**
 - Cuyahoga GreenPrint; Cleveland Metroparks; Cleveland Street Trees**
- **Infiltration & Hydrologic Services:**
 - Hydrologic function of rain gardens & urban pervious areas**
 - Lawn treatment for infiltration**
 - No-Mow lawns and lawn care – quality and function**
- **Pervious concrete partnerships in Chesapeake Bay**
- **Spatial Decision Models – New Color & IR Aerials and LIDAR**



Social Sustainability

Ghosts of Land Use Past

Euclid Golf: Suburbanization & Greenspace



August 26, 1919

Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

... One of the most gratifying features of the enterprise is that real estate men look upon this Euclid Golf Allotment as a model development. Mr. Deming has had many visitors from all parts of the United States inspecting the place, and their universal comment has been that only "Mr. Rockefeller" could do such a fine piece of work. ...

Very Truly,
Charles O. Hedyt



Turf Amendment – Balousek 2003

PA Lawns –

Pitt

Clavenger

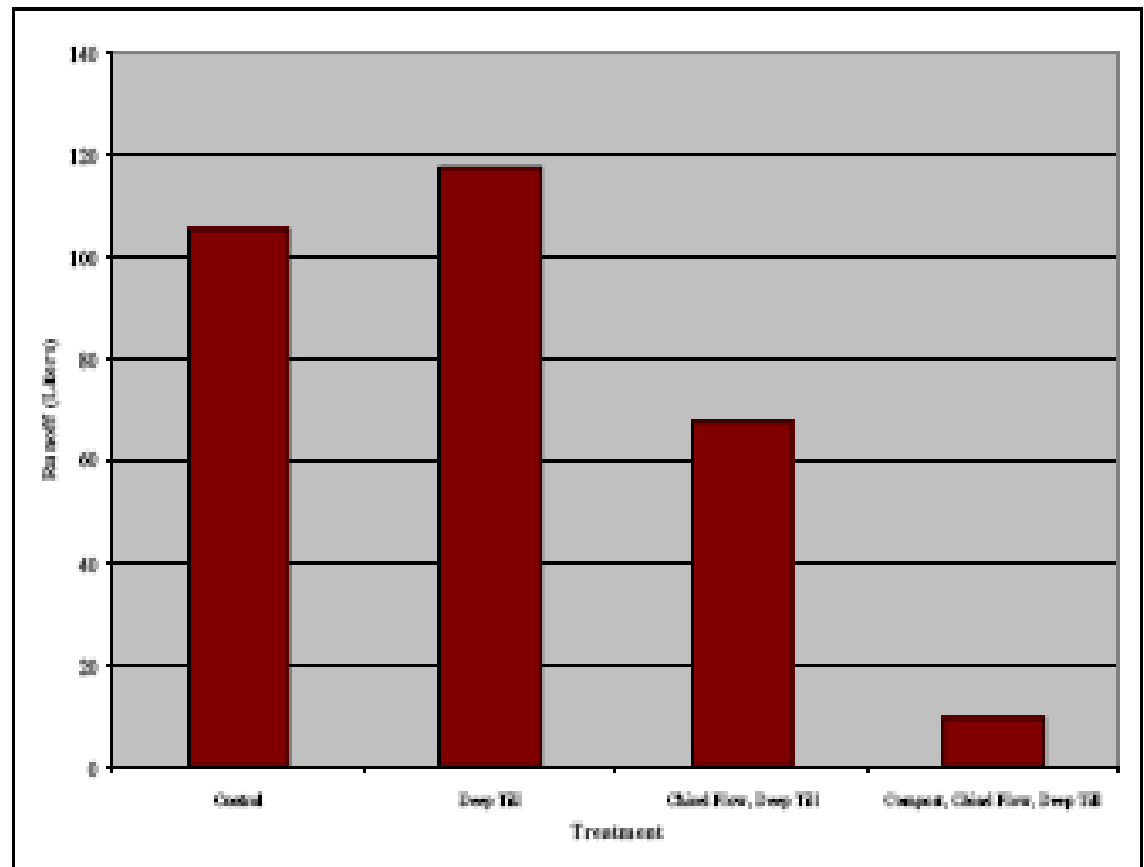


Figure 11. Cumulative runoff for storms larger than 2.5 centimeters.

Balousek 2003. "Quantifying Decreases in Stormwater Runoff from Deep Tilling, Chisel Plowing, and Compost Amendment."

<http://www.countyofdane.com/landconservation/papers/quantifyingdecreasesinswrunoff.pdf>

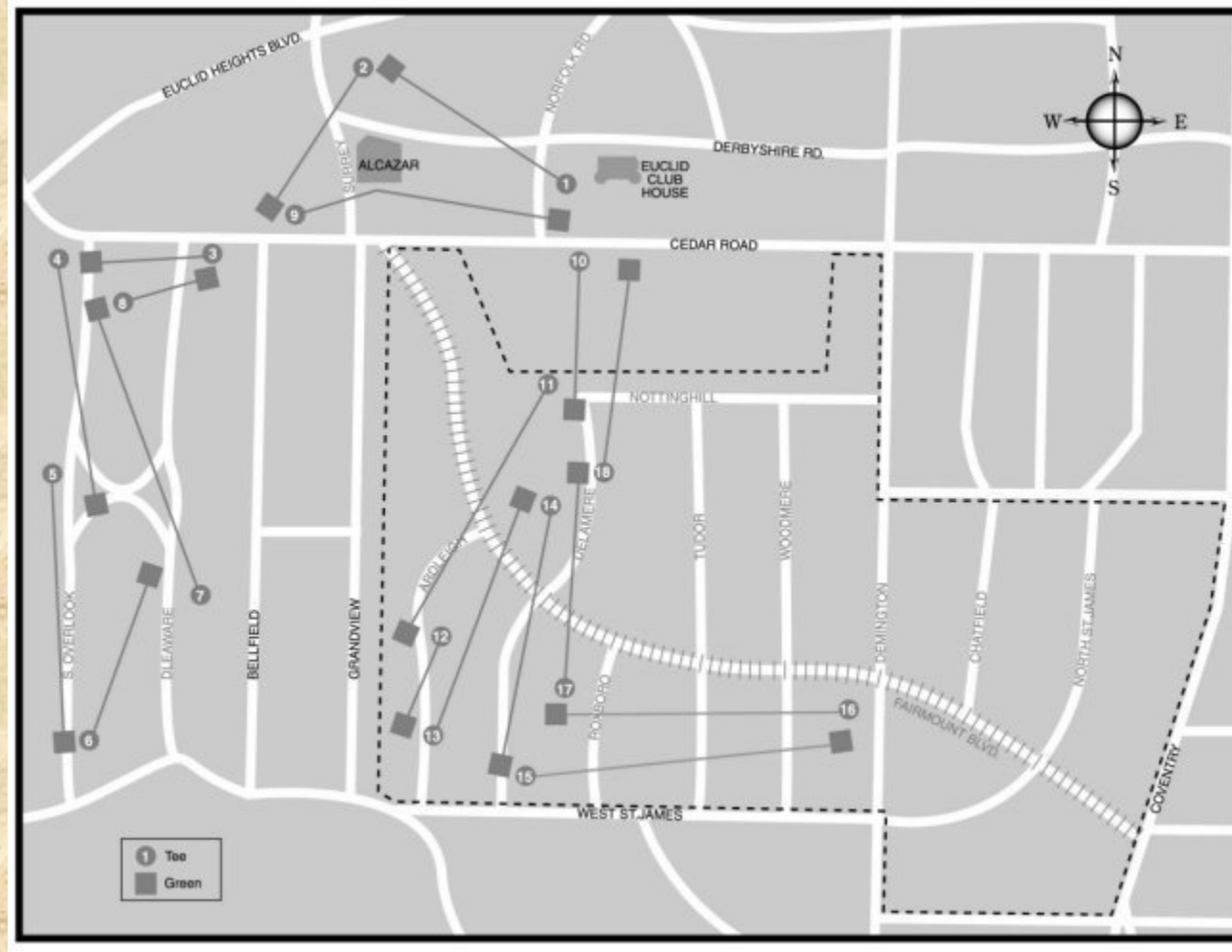
Feedback & Contacts

- **Commoditizing Stormwater – Credits and Trading**
- **Automatically Derived Spatial (GIS/Remote Sensing) Metrics of Sustainable landscapes & design**
- **Landscape Influences on Hydroecology**
- **Urban BMP cost-effectiveness**
- **Riparian Setback / Riparian Buffer Technical Literature**



Euclid Golf

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Environmental Sustainability

Hydrologic Services & Sustainable Landscapes

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The Heights & Early Suburbanization

Rockefeller, Ambler, Wade

Euclid Golf

Deed Restrictions

Euclidean Zoning

Euclid v. Ambler

Shaker Nature Center and the Lee-Clark Freeway